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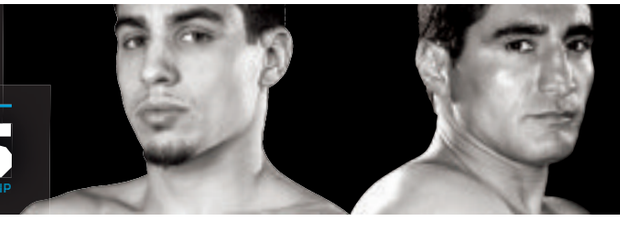

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Occupy Wall Street aims at comeback

Will attempt to disrupt morning commute ◗ Movement diminished, but protesters plan to mobilize for another push today, dubbed 'S17' ◗ Stock Exchange sit-in, march on Zuccotti

It's deja vu all over again.

On the one-year anniversary of when Occupy Wall Street first camped out in Zuccotti Park, Sept. 17, 2011, OWS will try to make an elaborate comeback today and regain some of the strength the movement enjoyed last fall.

As in the past, one of its key plans is to try to disrupt the morning commute in the Financial District.

Protesters say the group will stage a sit-in outside the New York Stock Exchange at around 7:30 a.m. After that, members plan to move on to such targets as a Chase branch, the corporate headquarters of Bank of New York Mellon and a U.S. bankruptcy court, according to OWS's organizers.

Earlier in the month, protestors mentioned making citizens' arrests of bankers as they go to work this morning, but it's unclear if they'll go ahead with that plan.

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▶ Members of Occupy Wall Street met in Foley Square yesterday afternoon.

Quoted

"We're only a year old. This isn't going to happen instantaneously."

OCCUPY PROTESTER GEOFF GERNANT

The day's events will then conclude with an 8 p.m. march on Zuccotti Park, which has been barricaded. Police told Metro yesterday they would not close off any streets as a result of the protest.

But will OWS succeed in regaining the strength of last year?

"The numbers are not going to be like they were in the fall," said Mark Bray, an Occupy Wall Street organizer. "In the fall it was a media sensation, it had a novelty to it, but that sort of hype is impossible to maintain forever."

But although the group has lost some momentum, protesters said they have successfully brought economic injustice into the public eye.

"The language of the 99 percent and the 1 percent has now almost become cliche because it's so popular," Bray said.

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In the news

Couple caught on tape at Yankees game

There are some things more entertaining than America's favorite pastime! A couple got frisky in a bathroom stall during a Yankees home game against the Tampa Bay Rays on Saturday, and Deadspin posted the video. In the clip, the man can be seen wearing a CC Sabathia jersey. According to reports, they started having sex in the second inning and didn't stop until the fifth. METRO/CB

In the news

Barclays countdown

There are twelve days until the Barclays Center opens in downtown Brooklyn! Good news for neighborhood non-profits: The Downtown Brooklyn Neighborhood Alliance is launching a Community Tickets Program that will provide complimentary tickets via a sweepstakes system. Visit its website, www.thedbna.org, for more info. METRO

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About 51 Occupy Wall Street protesters were arrested over the weekend, DNAinfo reported. Most of those were taken into custody Saturday night during a march from Washington Square Park.

Rent is Too Damn High joins Occupy

To celebrate its one-year anniversary, Occupy Wall Street held a series of events over the weekend, such as a concert yesterday afternoon at Foley Square that attracted about five hundred people.

A number of minor politicians were in attendance, including Jimmy McMillan of the "Rent Is Too Damn High" party, who told Metro that al-Qaeda members were forming corporations in order to hide their true identities. METRO/JG

News in brief

Obama due back in New York City for a fundraiser Tuesday

NEW YORK. As the November election day inches closer, President Barack Obama will be back in his favorite fundraising territory tomorrow evening: the liberal-leaning, deep-pocketed island of Manhattan. Obama is scheduled to arrive at JFK airport via Air Force One just after 3 p.m. tomorrow. He will attend campaign events in Manhattan and then is scheduled to leave the city at about 11 p.m.

Tomorrow's visit will be Obama's 40th cash-grabbing trip to New York City in the past three years, and Obama has far out-fundraised Mitt Romney here in The Big Apple.

The last time he was in New York City was the week of Aug. 20, when POTUS came for a fundraiser dinner at the Time Warner Center hosted by Michael Jordan. About 120 people attended and plates sold for $20,000 each. METRO/CB

Holocaust survivor struck, killed by car

WILLIAMSBURG. Family and friends mourned a 92-year-old Holocaust survivor who was hit and killed by a man parking his SUV over the weekend.

Gitzella Katz, 92, a native of Hungary, survived Auschwitz, her family told the Daily News. She and her daughter, 68, were hit by a man on Saturday night in front of 91 Clymer Street.

The two women were crossing the street in between cars when a 2012 Toyota Highlander, driven by a 26-year-old man, backed into a parking spot. He struck the two women.

The 68-year-old daughter was hospitalized in stable condition, but Katz was declared dead when she was brought into Bellevue.

Her husband, who died 10 years ago, also survived the Holocaust. METRO/CB

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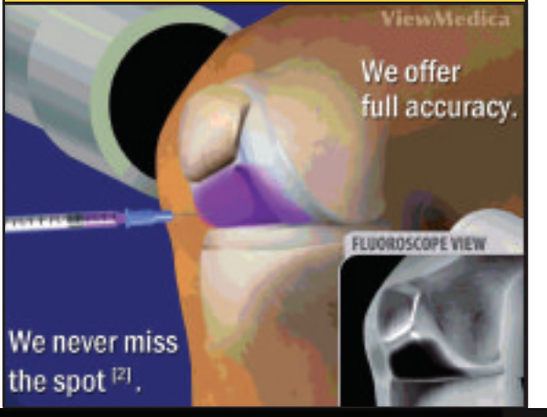

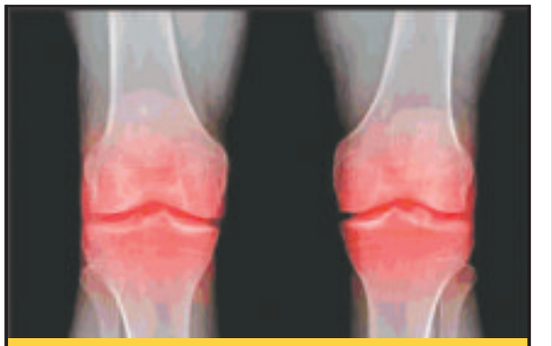

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BK buyback gets 85 guns off the streets

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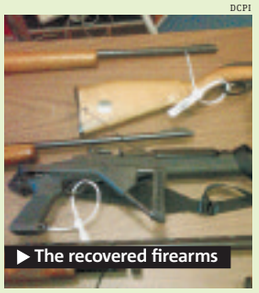

▶ The recovered firearms

BUSHWICK. A Ruger AR mini-14 assault rifle, along with 84 other guns, was turned in Saturday when the NYPD held a gun buyback in Brooklyn.

In total, 85 guns were turned in at the buyback, held at the Evergreen Baptist Church in Bushwick. Some of the weapons turned in included 40 revolvers, 28 semi-automatic guns, nine rifles, two shotguns and the assault rifle.

Seven of the weapons were turned in fully loaded.

The NYPD regularly holds gun buybacks, where people with illegal guns can turn them into the cops in exchange for cash, no questions asked.

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OWS protester charged in two rape incidents

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▶ Jackie Barcliff was charged with raping a 14-year-old girl.

After seeing photos of himself in the news, an Occupy Wall Street protester suspected of rape turned himself in to police over the weekend, where he was arrested in not one but two different rape cases, including for one alleged sex assault against a 14-year-old girl earlier this summer.

According to police, Jackie Barcliff, 44, surrendered himself on Friday night.

His photo had been widely published, including on the pages of Metro, as a suspect wanted for the alleged rape of a woman last Monday, Sept. 10, at Pier 15 park near the South Street Seaport. He threw the woman 20 feet off the park after the brutal attack, police say.

Barcliff, who is homeless, was charged with rape and attempted murder in the Pier 15 attack Friday, police said.

But that same night, investigators say they pieced together that Barcliff is also alleged to be the same man who they say raped a 14-year-old girl on Aug. 12 in Midtown.

Barcliff allegedly offered the young teen a place to stay for the night, police charge, and, during the course of the night, raped her.

Barcliff was charged with first- and second-degree rape in the Aug. 12 incident.

In the Sept. 10 incident, Barcliff is accused of inviting his victim, a 56-year-old woman who is also involved in the OWS movement, to the top level of the new Pier 15 park overlooking the East River at about 2 a.m. Police said Barcliff then raped the woman before throwing her over the railing, causing her to fall to the ground and break her pelvis and leg.

The woman told police she recognized Barcliff from previous OWS demonstrations.

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Arrested as part of OWS in the past

Barcliff is a known member of the Occupy Wall Street movement, police said.

According to police, he was arrested for assault and resisting arrest in front of Zuccotti Park in December. Cops said Barcliff then tried to escape after they apprehended him.

Police said Barcliff has frequented other OWS gathering sites in Lower Manhattan in the past.

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Reports: Man accused of Central Park rape preyed on elderly women

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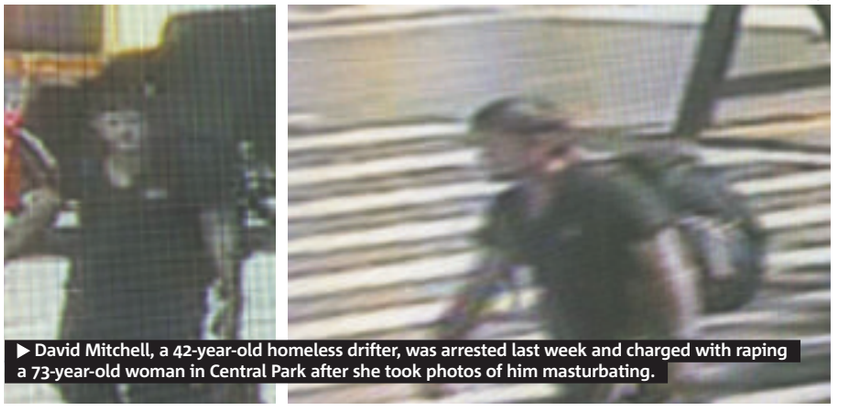

▶ David Mitchell, a 42-year-old homeless drifter, was arrested last week and charged with raping a 73-year-old woman in Central Park after she took photos of him masturbating.

Disturbing new details continue to emerge about the man arrested last week and accused of raping a 73-year-old woman while she was birdwatching in Central Park.

David Mitchell, 42, allegedly preys on elderly women. He is also possessed by a demonic alter ego that instructs him to kill, his brother claims.

Mitchell has been arrested twice before on charges that he raped and killed other elderly women in his native West Virginia town, according to the AP.

Quoted

"I'm scared to death of him. He weren't [sic] no good. He was just a nasty thing."

JENKINJONES RESIDENT RENE BOLEN, 40, TO THE DAILY NEWS

He was also suspected, but never charged, of murdering yet a third woman, this one in her 50s.

Mitchell was only 18 when, in 1990, he was charged with the rape and murder of an 83-year-old woman who lived next door to him in his poverty-stricken hometown of Jenkinjones, W.V. Mitchell allegedly beat her to death after the sex assault.

He reportedly confessed to the horrific crime, according to the AP, but after a psychiatrist testified at trial that his IQ was so low he couldn't have understood the confession, he was acquitted.

Later, Mitchell was arrested again and charged with raping and robbing another woman, this time in her 70s. Prosecutors dropped that rape case under a plea deal, according to the New York Daily News, and Mitchell did time in prison for the robbery conviction.

About a year after he was let out of jail, in 2002, a 54-year-old woman went missing from Jenkinjones. Mitchell allegedly bragged to an ex-girlfriend that he killed her, saying he hit her in the head. There was reportedly never enough evidence to charge Mitchell.

One resident of Jenkinjones said that locals in the town were terrified of Mitchell.

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A horrifying alter ego

David Mitchell's half-brother, Joe Mitchell, told the Daily News that his sibling suffers from split personality disorder, and that he has a sadistic alter ego, "Johnny," who is responsible for the murders.

"Johnny" is "like Satan himself," Mitchell told the Daily News. His wife added that Mitchell would go into violent rages in West Virginia, and would only stop when she yelled the name "Johnny."

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Drag race ends in crash near Radio City Music Hall

A wild drag race up Sixth Avenue in the pre-dawn hours of yesterday morning caused a collision near the famed Radio City Music Hall.

A Mercedes-Benz suspected of drag racing slammed into an Airlink shuttle bus right outside Radio City Music Hall. A man became trapped underneath the bus after it flipped to its side on impact, and at least five people were injured in the crash, according to reports.

The Benz, which was traveling northbound up Sixth Avenue, crashed into the shuttle at 50th Street just before 5 a.m. The shuttle was headed to the airport and had passengers inside.

"I was driving up Sixth Ave. and I just heard an explosion," an unnamed eyewitness to the crash told the New York Post. "I saw the van on its side and about six people who got thrown out were being crushed underneath it."

Quoted

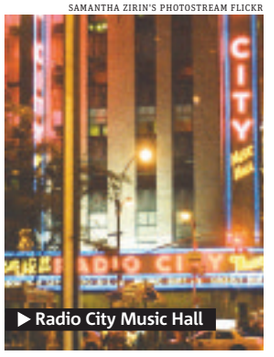
"Honestly I don't know if they're going to survive. It was the loudest explosion – all I saw was the big van, and I just heard it screeching."

CRASH EYEWITNESS TO THE NEW YORK POST

The white van flipped over, according to reports, and a man became trapped underneath it. About 15 bystanders in the area reportedly helped lift up the van and free him.

Five people in the van, including the driver, were taken to Bellevue Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries after the accident. But three of the five are reportedly in critical condition.

SAMANTHA ZIRIN'S PHOTOSTREAM FLICKR



▶ Radio City Music Hall

According to the New York Post, the driver of the Mercedes, Imran Ahmed, 27, a Jersey City resident, was arrested at the scene. He was charged with vehicular assault and driving under the influence, the Post reported.

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Cabbie strikes and kills motorcyclist

HARLEM. A motorcyclist died Saturday afternoon in Harlem after he was hit by a yellow cab and then pinned against a CitySights tour bus that was laden with tourists at the time.

The accident occurred while Juan Velez, 53, was riding his Yamaha motorcycle eastbound at the corner of West 125th Street and Lenox Avenue, police say. Velez tried to get around the slow-going tour bus, police said, and he pulled a U-turn at the intersection. But he was then slammed into by a taxi driver, and the yellow cab pinned him against the sight-seeing bus.

The taxi driver remained at the scene, and no charges have been filed. **METRO/JG**

Video prompts Muslim protests around the world

A wave of furious anti-Western protests against a film mocking the Prophet Muhammad continued unabated yesterday, as U.S. policy in the Muslim world remained overshadowed by 13 minutes of amateurish video on the Internet.

Washington ordered family members and non-essential staff to leave the U.S. Embassy in Khartoum, which was attacked Friday after Sudan turned down its request to send Marines to bolster security.

In addition, it pulled non-essential personnel out of its embassy in the Tunisian capital, Tunis, also attacked on Friday, and urged American citizens to leave the city.

Marine platoons have been sent to U.S. missions in Yemen and Libya since the unrest erupted. **REUTERS**

50 arrested

- Libyan President Mohammed Magarief said yesterday that about 50 people have been arrested in connection with the deadly attack on the U.S. consulate in Benghazi last week, which he said was planned by foreigners linked to al Qaeda.
- Magarief, in an interview on CBS's "Face the Nation," said some of those arrested were not Libyans and were linked to al Qaeda, the militant Muslim group that carried out the 9/11 attacks on the United States. Magarief, who became president after the bloody U.S.-backed ouster of Muammar Gaddafi, described others as affiliates or sympathizers. **REUTERS**

RIZWAN TABASSUM/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

▶ Pakistani Sunni Muslim protesters torch a U.S. flag and an effigy of President Barack Obama yesterday during a protest rally against an anti-Islam movie in Karachi.

One killed, five hurt in anti-US protests

One person was killed and five were injured yesterday in protests across Pakistan against a video that ridicules the Prophet Mohammad, police said.

The death occurred when unidentified people opened fire during a protest in the southern city of Hyderabad, they said.

In Karachi, Pakistan's largest city, five people were injured in clashes with police as protesters tried to reach the U.S. consulate.

Four days of protests against the short, amateurish clip, produced in California and posted online, have seen American and European embassies, businesses and a school attacked in Libya, Tunisia, Yemen and Egypt. **REUTERS**

In the news

Man charged with plot to leave car bomb outside bar

CHICAGO. An 18-year-old who tried to set off what he thought was a car bomb outside a Chicago bar Friday night has been arrested and charged in a federal undercover sting, authorities said. Adel Daoud, a U.S. citizen planned for months for the attack and prayed with a man who turned out to be an undercover agent before attempting to set off a bomb in a Jeep outside a bar, authorities said.

Daoud, who considered up to 29 possible targets, was charged with one count of attempted use of a weapon of mass destruction and one count of attempt to damage and destroy a building by means of an explosive. **REUTERS**

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Afghan president raps US over Bagram prison transfer

Afghan President Hamid Karzai accused the United States yesterday of breaching a pact to hand over the main U.S. military prison at Bagram Airbase and its inmates to Afghan control, after meeting Washington's top envoy to the region.

In a row that could complicate already thorny negotiations over the future U.S. military presence in the country, Karzai told U.S. Special Envoy to Afghanistan and Pakistan Marc Grossman that any delay to the handover was "a serious violation" of a strategic agreement between the allies. **REUTERS**

NATO troops die in 'insider' attacks in Afghanistan

KABUL. Four U.S. troops fighting with the NATO-led alliance were killed yesterday in another suspected "insider" attack in southern Afghanistan, bringing the total number of deaths this weekend caused by Afghans turning on their allies to six.

Four troops were found dead and two wounded when a response team arrived at the scene from a nearby checkpoint, a spokesman for the coalition said. A Pentagon spokesman confirmed that the four dead were Americans.

One of the six members of the Afghan National Police (ANP) operating the observation post with six coalition troops was also found dead, while the other five had disappeared. **REUTERS**

Iran on brink of nuclear bomb in seven months: Netanyahu

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▶ Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu warned yesterday that Iran was just six to seven months away from the brink of being able to build a nuclear bomb, adding urgency to his demand that President Barack Obama set a "red line" for Tehran in what could deepen the worst U.S.-Israeli rift in decades.

Taking to the television airwaves to make his case directly to the American public, Netanyahu said that by mid-2013 Iran would be "90 percent of the way" toward enough enriched uranium for a weapon. He again urged the United States to spell out limits that Tehran must not cross if it's to avoid military action — something Obama has refused to do.

"You have to place that red line before them now, before it's too late," Netanyahu said on NBC's "Meet the Press," adding that such a U.S. move could reduce the chances of having to attack Iran's nuclear sites.

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NETANYAHU SAID ON NBC'S "MEET THE PRESS"

The unusually public dispute between close allies — coupled with Obama's decision not to meet with Netanyahu later this month — has exposed a gaping U.S.-Israeli divide and stepped up pressure on the U.S. leader in a tight election campaign. **REUTERS**

'In the red zone'

- Speaking via satellite from Jerusalem, Netanyahu argued that a credible U.S. ultimatum was needed to curb Iran, which denies it is seeking a nuclear bomb.
- "They're in the 'red zone,'" Netanyahu said, using an American football metaphor for when a team is close to scoring a touchdown. "You can't let them cross that goal line."
- Susan Rice, Obama's U.N. envoy, offered no sign that Obama — who has asked Netanyahu to hold off on any strike on Iran's nuclear sites to give sanctions and diplomacy time to work — intended to soften his resistance to red lines.

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Buckingham Palace to launch criminal case against French media

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▶ Lawyers for the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge will make the complaint to French prosecutors.

Kate Middleton and her husband Prince William are to make a criminal complaint today against the photographer who took topless pictures of the duchess.

The couple's lawyers will make the complaint to French prosecutors, a spokesman for the couple said yesterday

The images have appeared in French magazine Closer and the Irish Daily Star. An Italian magazine has said it also plans to print the photographs today.

A Buckingham Palace spokeswoman said: "We can confirm that a criminal complaint is to be made to the French Prosecution Department."

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"It concerns the taking of photographs of the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge whilst on holiday and the publication of those photographs in breach of their privacy."

The couple's legal team will also attend the Tribunal de Grande Instance de Nanterre in Paris today, where damages and an injunction will be sought regarding Closer magazine.

The legal action also aims to prevent further publication of the images.

Closer magazine has defended its decision to publish, saying: "The photos we selected are by no means degrading."

Meanwhile, the Irish publisher of the Daily Star yesterday offered his "deepest apologies" for publishing the pictures.

All British papers have refrained from publishing the photographs, including the Sun, the only British title to run pictures of William's brother Harry cavorting naked in a Las Vegas hotel last month. **METRO**

In the news

Endeavour heads to new home in LA

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▶ Space shuttle Endeavour is heading to a museum in L.A.

CAPE CANAVERAL. The space shuttle Endeavour, built to replace NASA's lost ship Challenger, prepared for a final flight today, heading not into orbit but west to a Los Angeles museum.

Riding piggyback on top of a specially modified 747 jet, Endeavour will be the second of NASA's three surviving shuttles to leave the Kennedy Space Center and begin new roles as space ambassadors.

"We finally get to really show her off," NASA astronaut Kay Hire, who flew aboard Endeavour in 2010, told reporters yesterday on the shuttle's runway.

Endeavour was built after the Challenger was destroyed in a fatal accident in 1986. Endeavour's space life was relatively short by shuttle standards — just 25 missions over 20 years, totaling 299 days in space. **REUTERS**

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Look out! Eight-legged friends hit the roof

Giant creepy crawlies have invaded the rooftops of Seattle. But don't fret — they aren't spiders, they are actually harvestmen, a form of arachnid and, perhaps more comforting, they are just examples of 3D art. Artist Marlin Peterson has created trompe l'oeil, an art style in which 2D images appear three-dimensional when viewed at an angle.

Rooftop large enough for painting

Peterson was commissioned by the Washington State Artist Trust to paint a mural in Seattle. But after finding no willing wall, Peterson thought of the Seattle Center Armory's large roof right underneath the Space Needle. "It sort of dominates the view people see from up there," Peterson said. The artist took two weeks to paint the piece using normal house paint.

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Work in detail

- "I chose harvestmen because of the cool way their long legs cast shadows, and that they are not threatening — they don't have venom [or] fangs and thus don't bite humans."
- Peterson investigated a time of day that the shadow would be cast in real life, even making wire-frame miniature models of the harvestmen and bringing them to the roof at the right time of day to cast the perfect shadow for his mapping and photographing purposes.
- Harvestmen is the common name for the order of arachnids called opiliones. Despite their similar appearance, they are not spiders.

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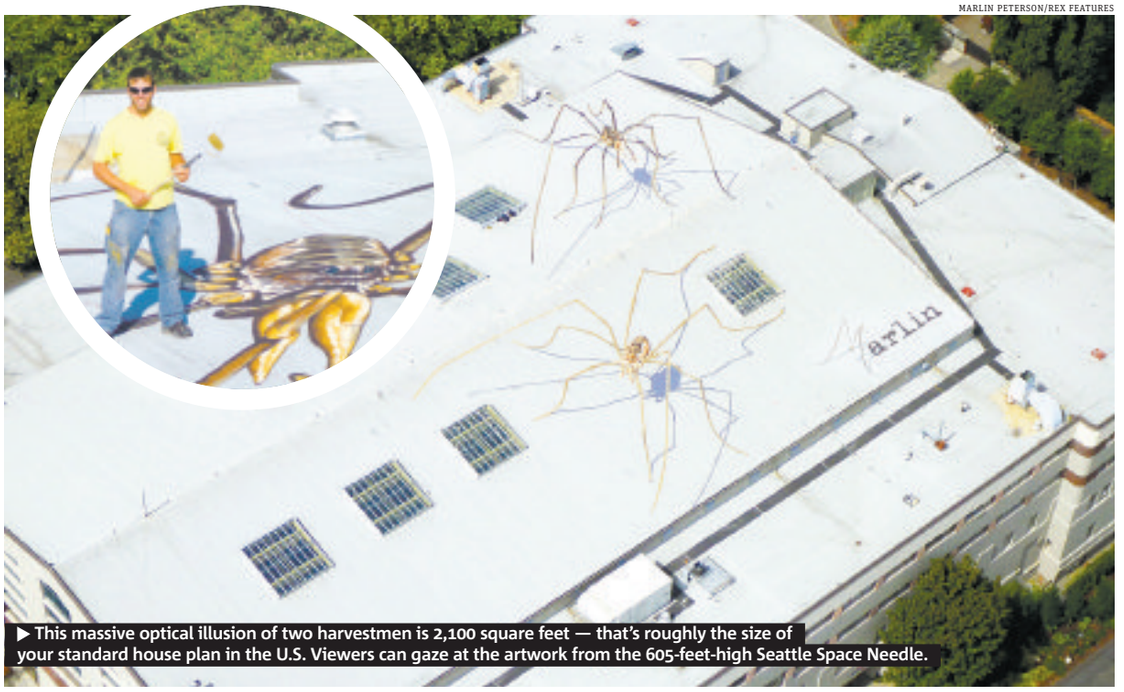

▶ This massive optical illusion of two harvestmen is 2,100 square feet — that's roughly the size of your standard house plan in the U.S. Viewers can gaze at the artwork from the 605-feet-high Seattle Space Needle.

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The three words Obama fears most: 'I don't care'

GAINESVILLE, FLA. Three words offered again and again here on the campus of the University of Florida could spell disaster for President Barack Obama's re-election hopes if young voters are still repeating them in November: "I don't care."

The university, a liberal island in a sea of Republican red, will almost certainly back Obama over Republican Mitt Romney, as will most young voters in the Sunshine State. Recent polls show Obama with a significant lead among voters under age 29, a bloc that favored him 2-to-1 in 2008.

But the president's concern is whether these young voters are excited enough about him to turn out in the large numbers he needs to carry the nation's most populous swing state.

Young voters rallied behind Obama four years ago, excited by his pledge to transform Washington's hateful politics. But Obama is no longer running to be the nation's first black president. He now faces student voters who, after his first term, are dealing with record levels of debt and bleak job prospects and who remain turned off by the unchanged, bitter partisanship.

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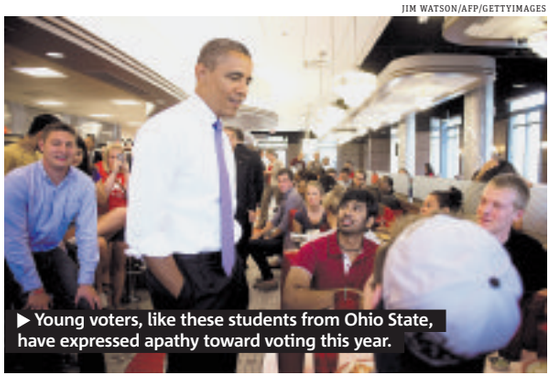


▶ Young voters, like these students from Ohio State, have expressed apathy toward voting this year.

"The general sense is that most students think both sides are incompetent," Hunter Browning-Smith, a 20-year-old junior, said. "Nobody's excited about either candidate. I know Obama used to have all this support with people my age, but that's not how it is now."

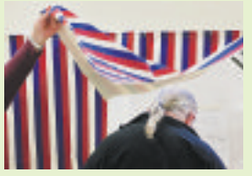
And 20-year-old Intale Shuva added, "Politics right now are pretty depressing."

There is, of course, still support for Obama on campus. Hundreds of students waited in line for tickets to see First Lady Michelle Obama speak on Monday, and there are daily voter registration drives and regular phone banks that reach out to young voters.

Yet, interviews with dozens of students and 20-somethings fresh out of school in this college town revealed a prevailing sense of apathy.

"I totally drank the Obama Kool-Aid" in 2008, Nick Carey, 24, said over a beer at a dive bar downtown. "It's not that I think he's a bad guy. He's just another politician. Things haven't really changed at all." **BRIAN HUGHES, WASHINGTON EXAMINER**

News in brief



Voting groups scramble in Fla.

Voting-rights groups that virtually stopped registering voters in Florida for a year as they challenged the state's new restrictions on elections now are scrambling to get people there registered for the Nov. 6 election. The effort in Florida — a large, politically divided state that is crucial in the nationwide race between Democratic President Barack Obama and Republican Mitt Romney — comes two weeks after a federal judge rejected strict limits on voter-registration drives that have led to a big drop in Floridians signing up to vote.

The Florida law was so limiting that groups such as Rock the Vote and the League of Women Voters, which have helped to register millions of voters, essentially halted their registration drives. **REUTERS**

Chicago teachers debate strike end

Chicago Teachers Union delegates met yesterday to decide whether Mayor Rahm Emanuel has offered enough concessions in a new labor contract to end a weeklong strike and resume classes in the nation's third-largest school district. Negotiators met all day Saturday to put the finishing touches on a new contract for the 29,000 teachers, nurses and other support staff, and hoped to have legal language to present to some 800 union delegates meeting yesterday afternoon. Union President Karen Lewis said that if all goes well she will ask the delegates to vote to call off the strike against the school district, which began on Sept. 10 and kept 350,000 students out of school. **REUTERS**

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'THE STATUS QUO, ONLY WORSE'

Bob Woodward knows a failed president when he sees one. The man who was instrumental in bringing down Richard Nixon has now covered eight presidents for the Washington Post while writing more than a dozen books about them. Which is what makes the final verdict he renders on President Barack Obama in his new book, "The Price of Politics," so damning. Woodward writes, "It is a fact that President Obama was handed a miserable, faltering economy and faced a recalcitrant Republican opposition. But presidents work their will — or should work their will — on the important matters of national business. ... Obama has not."

Over the course of almost 450 pages, Woodward depicts Obama as an arrogant, aloof and hyperpartisan president who manages to either alienate or disappoint everybody he needs to help govern Washington.

One of the first scenes Woodward recounts is a meeting at the White House where Obama invited House Republicans to talk about the stimulus. After then-Minority Whip Eric Cantor distributed a five-point Republican stimulus plan that differed from Obama's tax plan, Obama told Cantor, "I can go it alone. ... Look at the polls. The polls are pretty good for me right now. Elections have consequences. And Eric, I won. So on that, I think I trump you."

Later, after the Democrats drafted a stimulus bill that contained zero Republican ideas, Obama Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel put Obama's position on bipartisanship a bit more succinctly: "We have the votes. F–k 'em."

Obama's tone changed, of course, after the "shellacking" the American people gave him during the 2010 elections. But even when he knew he needed Republican votes to govern, Obama could not help but stereotype and lecture the other party. He confidently told his staff he could roll newly minted House Speaker John Boehner because "he's a golf-playing, cigarette-smoking, country-club Republican who makes deals. He is very familiar to me."

Boehner did try — very hard, in fact — to make a deal with Obama on the debt limit. But it was amateur hour at the White House at every turn. At one point in the negotiations, Obama insisted on dragging every congressional leader to the White House for daily meetings until the crisis was solved. The veteran hill staffers thought this was a clear sign that "the president simply didn't understand how Congress works and didn't know how to negotiate."

"Boehner," Woodward writes, "hated going down to the White House to listen to what amounted to presidential lectures."

And congressional Republicans weren't the only ones disappointed in Obama's leadership. After Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., and House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., became so disillusioned with Obama's handling of the crisis that they eventually cut their own deal with Boehner, Woodward writes that Obama had essentially been "voted off the island in his own house."

As a result of Obama's bumbling, Woodward concludes, "The mission of stabilizing and improving the economy is incomplete. First, the short-term federal fiscal problem has not been solved. Instead it has been pushed off to the future, leaving the United States facing what is now called the fiscal cliff. ... Second, the long-term problem of unsustainable entitlement spending on Medicare, Medicaid, and Social Security, highlighted by Republican House Budget Chairman Paul Ryan and familiar to all informed politicians and economists including the president ... has been left largely unaddressed."

"Americans are now left with a still struggling economy in the midst of a presidential election," Woodward writes. "It is a world of the status quo, only worse."

"The status quo, only worse." What a perfect description of the Obama presidency. It even fits on a bumper sticker.

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Those who fancy themselves up to the Photo Challenge have until Nov. 11 to submit their top photos in whatever category they want. Winners in each of the competing countries will face a global jury — including renowned wildlife photographer Mattias Klum, up-and-coming fashion photographer Lara Jade and Esben Darling Meng, CEO of photo bank Colourbox.com — for the final vote. The global winners will be announced on Nov. 30.

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Expert tips

Three tips from Esben Darling Meng, CEO of Colourbox.com, Scandinavia's largest image bank:

1. Have a clear message. Most importantly, tell readers what your image is about. You should immediately pinpoint one or two words that you would like people to associate with the picture.
2. Connect with emotions. A typical mistake is to try to fit too much into a photo.
3. There should be a story. If you snap a dog with a stick, have it running towards you so people can wonder where it came from or connect it with their childhood. Make your audience want to know more.

Advice

'On-location shooting is the biggest challenge'

What are the most common mistakes for inexperienced photographers?
Typical weaknesses are in focus and framing/composition of the chosen subject. Retouching or over-retouching an image with Photoshop or other editing software is risky, and most importantly: Avoid shooting blind without reference or ideas.

What are you most trusted techniques for a shot with impact?
It varies with subject matter. With my own shooting style, I always trust using a wide aperture on location, because this enhances the 'ethereal' look that I'm trying to achieve. Other trusted techniques include: making the most of available light; shooting into the sun at sunrise and sunset; and using trusted models and talent on a set to help enhance the styling of your subject.

What is the most demanding environment/style in which to shoot?
On-location shooting is one of the most challenging shoot environments because there are so many things that could go wrong, no matter how much you prepare! If I had to combine this with style, I'd say that shooting with natural light ON location has to be the ultimate challenge — because the light is constantly changing as you go.

—LARA JADE, fashion and advertising photographer

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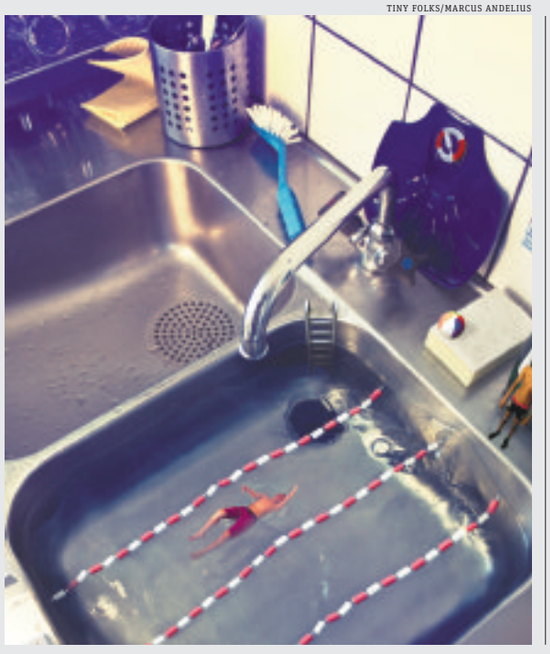

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Get equipped to take prize-winning shots

Last week, photography expert Ron Dijemshidoff gave readers tips on image composition as we prepares for the launch of Metro Photo Challenge today.

Here, Mr Dijemshidoff, an expert at Photo Challenge's main sponsors, J&R, outlines some of the equipment you'll need to take the best pictures — and have a chance of winning Metro's ultimate prize.

Looking to purchase the camera of your dreams, but not sure where to start? Lucky for you, J&R's helping us size up the most popular models on the market. **MARIANNE HAYES**

Olympus S series SP-620UZ

Perhaps this digital camera's greatest feature is its 21x optical zoom. Ideal for shooting sports events, concerts or the great outdoors, this camera captures every detail. With the touch of a button, users can also film stunningly clear HD movies. While this 16-megapixel camera is a fairly chunky piece of equipment, its price and tremendous zoom make it a great value. The SP-620UZ retails for about $200.

Samsung DV300 DualView

When it comes to point-and-shoot cameras, the Samsung DualView gives you a great bang for your buck. This 16-megapixel camera has built-in WiFi and two LCD viewing screens — one front facing and one on the back. Another cool feature is a Child Mode setting that displays animation to keep little eyes focused on the camera while taking pictures. Rounding out at about $150, this little camera is perfect on the go.

Nikon D7000

An upgrade for the serious photographer, the D7000 has the look and feel of a professional camera. With a 16-megapixel resolution and full HD movies, the D7000 shoots in vibrantly rich colors. The camera performance is also lightning fast, with an almost imperceptible shutter lag (the time that passes between clicking the button and capturing the image). Additionally, it has twin SD card slots, allowing for maximum memory space. The D7000 retails for about $1,300.

Sony Cyber-shot DSC-TX200v/v

This high-styled digital camera redefines sleek. The Cyber-shot features a folded, non-protruding lens and 18 megapixels. Both dust and waterproof, this camera allows users to navigate menus and scroll through picture effects on a 3.3-inch OLED touchscreen. The Cyber-shot also shoots full HD movies while utilizing an optical steadying feature that works against getting shaky, blurry movies. This ultra-chic camera retails for about $429.

Canon EOS 60D

This 18-megapixel camera is perfect for the photography enthusiast. A step up from Canon's Rebel camera line, the EOS 60D boasts incredibly clear image quality and HD movies. It also has the in-camera capability of converting raw images to JPEGs. A wider range of color variations is available as well. Slightly on the higher end, the EOS 60D sells for about $1,112.

Must-haves

You wouldn't purchase a car without buying the gas to go with it. Check out these must-have accessories for your new camera.

- **Memory Card:** Most cameras do not come with a memory card, which serves as the holding place for all your digital images. A "Class 4" card is sufficient for point-and-shoot cameras, while a "Class 10" is ideal for high-quality SLRs. Cards like the Eye-Fi Connect X2 allow for wireless photo uploads to your computer as well as to social media sites.
- **All Weather Camera Case:** Lowepro offers durable cases that come with retractable plastic covers to protect from rain and snow. They also feature a hide-away tripod mount system, making it easy to snap a tripod onto the bag's side.
- **Lenses:** Different lenses do different things, so do your homework. Standard lenses work well for general photography, while wide-angle lenses are ideal for shooting landscapes or large groups of people. Since one lens can't do it all, buy a bundle package of several lenses. This can be pricey, but is still more economical than buying multiple lenses individually.
- **Tripod:** Tripods are especially handy for taking night shots, as well as shooting sporting events. An innovative twist on the traditional tripod is the Gorillapod, which features flexible legs that can wrap around virtually any surface — tree branches, street poles, you name it. The best part is its mobility, packing easily into most camera bags.

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iPhones continue to up the ante when it comes to photo capabilities

When shopping for a new camera, J&R photo expert Ron Dijemshidoff says it's wise to buy a model you're likely to take with you. "The pictures you're going to get will be from the camera you're actually willing to carry with you out of the house," he said.

For most of us, a clunky professional camera isn't what we're throwing in our backpacks on our way to work. But chances are, your iPhone is.

With each new upgrade, Apple continues to dazzle consumers with the iPhone's photo capabilities. The highly anticipated iPhone 5 features an 8-megapixel camera and the ability to take photos up to 40 percent faster. It's also thinner and lighter than its predecessor, the iPhone 4S.

Accessories manufacturers are getting in on the iPhone action, offering attachable lenses, tripods and flashes that snap on to the phone to create even more professional-looking images. Even so, according to professional photographer Lisa Pines, nothing beats the quality of a "real" camera.

"I love my iPhone," she said, "but when you take photos with a real digital camera, there's a tremendous difference in quality."

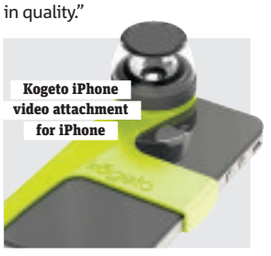
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Photo manipulation extends way beyond commercial photographers who shoot for magazines

Image editing is becoming common practice for most photogs.

For many photographers, the finished image isn't always the original one. Thanks to the evolution of photo-editing software, the artist now has creative domain from start to finish.

The leader in digital manipulation has to be Photoshop, and with good reason. Its retouching capabilities are unmatched, targeting even the most minute details of an image. Photoshop also gives users the gift of compositing. This is the magic that lets you cut and paste the visual elements of one photo onto another.

▶ Adobe Lightroom interface

Photoshop has a seemingly endless bag of tricks, but mastering them all can be overwhelming (and expensive. Photoshop retails for about $699). Enter Adobe Lightroom, the editing program of choice for many photographers. With a considerably smaller price tag (about $150), Lightroom is bit more user-friendly. Unlike Photoshop, Lightroom allows users to alter images in batches, as opposed to one at a time. This feature is particularly handy for photographers who take a high volume of pictures. Want to adjust the lighting on 20 images at once? Lightroom will let you do it, but keep in mind the program's limitations.

Behind the 'Top Colleges' rankings

Forbes Magazine's list is considered the gold standard ◗ But even they admit these rankings can't avoid 'certain biases' ◗ Who came in on top this year

When Forbes Magazine officially releases its "America's Top Colleges" list this week, it will, as always, be met with controversy.

"People are always going to get angry any time you try to rank institutions. And people get angry ridiculously high up the list," says Michael Noer, the executive editor of Forbes. "We rank 650 schools. There's about 2,500 undergraduate schools in the country. Anything in the top 50 is a stunningly good school."

And while the Forbes methodology is more rigorous than most, Noer concedes that there are unavoidable statistical biases in the rankings.

"Large public institutions do relatively poorly on our list. The reason is that anytime you have, say, 60,000 students, you're going to have a reversion to the mean," says Noer. "If you have that many students, some of them are going to do well in life, and some of them are going to do crappy. You can't do this without creating certain biases."

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Forbes' top five colleges

1. Princeton University
2. Williams College
3. Stanford University
4. University of Chicago
5. Yale University

Ranking system

Forbes' list utilizes a system developed by Ohio University economist Richard Vedder. Here are the five most heavily weighted data points:

- Student evaluations from RateMyProfessors.com
- Salary of alumni from Payscale.com
- List of alumni in "Who's Who in America"
- Average federal student loan debt load
- Actual four-year graduation rate

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▶ Princeton University scored the No. 1 spot on Forbes' list.

Outside perspective

For perspective on the Forbes list, we contacted college admissions expert Steve Cohen, author of "Getting In: The Zinch Guide to College Admissions and Financial Aid in the Digital Age."

"The Forbes ranking is a vast improvement over the U.S. News and World Report approach. It considers things that are truly important. There are, however, two problems: First, the inputs are not quite there. For example, 'Who's Who' and Payscale.com are not very good measures of post-graduate success. Similarly, the four-year graduation rate is a false measure. Kids who change majors — and that is 70 percent of all undergraduates — find it almost impossible to graduate in four years."

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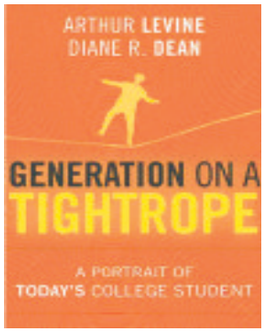
A balancing act for Millennials

Arthur Levine has been studying the zeitgeist of college students since 1980, when he published an important study on the core beliefs and attitudes of students, "When Dreams and Heroes Died."

But every 10 years or so, Levine is forced to start again from scratch; a new generation emerges with completely different fears, hopes and convictions. His latest, "Generation on a Tightrope," co-written with Illinois State professor Diane R. Dean, is one of the most thorough studies of Millennial students to date.

The authors surveyed more than 5,000 students and 270 student affairs officers and conducted focus groups on more than 30 campuses. For Levine, one result stands out among the piles of data: This is the most practical-minded generation he has ever studied.

Levine entered the project believing 9/11 would be a shared, defining moment for Millennials, similar to the Great Depression and Vietnam for previous generations. But he quickly discovered that the advent of the Internet and the economic crash of 2009 were far more influential. "More of them feel that money is critically important than we've seen in the past. They pick majors that they think will earn them money as opposed to what they want to study," explains Levine. "And, who can blame them? It's a scary time to be growing up. This is a generation that works more hours while going to college than ever before — just in order to afford it."



Strengths and weaknesses

Levine notes that, like every generation, Millennials have strengths and weaknesses.

"Race relations have improved dramatically. This generation tends to be wonderful at working in diverse groups. They are terrific at networking and building teams. However, they seem to be very dependent on adults — more so than before. They want someone to set the rules for them. And that could be a problem, because we're entering into a period in which change will be the norm."

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Metro's **Dorothy Robinson** shares her take on the world of gossip @dorothyatmetro dorothy.robinson@metro.us

Nicki Minaj and Keith Urban join 'Idol' team

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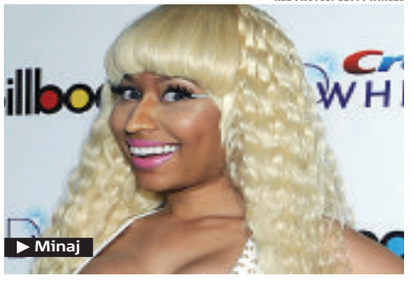
▶ Urban



▶ Minaj

The new judges' panel for the 12th season of "American Idol" was announced yesterday in a press release from Fox. Joining previously confirmed judges **Mariah Carey** and **Randy Jackson** will be the new additions of **Keith Urban** and **Nicki Minaj**.

"With the exciting addition of Mariah Carey, Keith Urban and Nicki Minaj, alongside Randy Jackson, [the show's] star power has never been so great," said "Idol" executive producer **Simon Fuller** in a boilerplate quote.

Judging by other quotes in the release — "we've put together one of the most exciting judging panels around," said **Mike Darnell**, president of alternative entertainment for Fox Broadcasting Company — you can tell the honchos at the network are feeling the heat from other all-star panels at rival singing competitions such as "The Voice" and "The X Factor," where **Britney Spears** is killing it as a judge.

What do you think of these new additions? As always, feel free to write in to let your opinion known. As for me, I just hope Nicki Minaj's multiple personalities can make up for Urban's lack of one.

Royal lawyers: Block those nips!

Will the publishers of Italian media group Mondadori lose their shirts for publishing photos of **Kate Middleton** without hers on?

It certainly looks that way, with lawyers for the royal family going to court today in France in order to try to stop further publication of topless photos of Kate there. The palace is also seeking damages from Mondadori, which is owned by former Italian Premier **Silvio Berlusconi**. Meanwhile, YouPorn.com — a site that usually doesn't need publicity — has generated some by offering an "open checkbook" to procure the snaps.

It might just be me, but it's hard to find any sympathy for Middleton. When you know you are going to become the next Queen of England, it's time to put your topless sunbathing days behind you. Seems like a fair swap, right?

Duff Goldman: Buddy's not my buddy

We chatted up "Ace of Cakes" star **Duff Goldman** at the launch of his cake-inspired truffles collection for Godiva last week, and he wasn't too happy when asked about his friendship with **Buddy Valastro** of "Cake Boss" fame.

"We don't have one," he told Metro.

"He's not the other cake guy. It's insulting to even be compared with that guy. It's terrible. I hate it, I really hate it." He then launched into an off-the-record rant about the Cake Boss's subpar skills before walking off, leaving us to munch on his tasty truffles solo.

Guess there's no amount of sugar that could sweeten up that relationship.

— With additional reporting by Meredith Engel

Duff Goldman

The feed ...

▶ **Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.**

Today, Mindy Kaling makes a "Splash" and Albert Brooks makes a good point.

Mindy Kaling (@mindykaling)
@RealRonHoward and @tomhanks listening carefully to a stunt coordinator in a safety meeting on the set of Splash. #Fakepicsiwant

Eli Roth (@eliroth)
I think by now Paul Thomas Anderson and Paul W.S. Anderson must have some kind of Lancaster Dodd/Freddie Quell relationship.

Albert Brooks (@AlbertBrooks)
How many millions of years do humans have to live before they stop going crazy over a naked breast?

Steve Martin (@SteveMartinToGo)
Just wondering. Women are different from men, right? But are their bodies different too?

Albert Brooks

Talking points

Gaga's new tat

Before getting her head tattooed while reclining inside of a giant perfume bottle last Thursday, **Lady Gaga** drank tequila and smoked cigarettes. We can relate to only some of that sentence. The Mother Monster got the tat — a cherub with wings — to promote her new fragrance Fame.

▶ Lady Gaga promotes Fame by yet again doing something outlandish.

Lively/Reynolds wedding was super top-secret

"Green Lantern" co-stars **Blake Lively** and **Ryan Reynolds** married in secret last week, and People magazine says you weren't the only one out of the loop. "Not even the people who baked the cake or the plantation owners had any idea" that the wedding was happening, says one of the magazine's senior writers.

Has Stewart packed her bags again?

Have **Kristen Stewart** and **Robert Pattinson** moved back in together? "They pretty much decided they couldn't live without each other,' a source tells **Perez Hilton**. "Kristen poured her heart out to Robert and told him it was a one-off and a mistake. Rob sees it as Kristen made a really stupid mistake." This conversation apparently took place on **Reese Witherspoon**'s ranch while **Ryan Phillippe** took notes hiding in a laundry basket. (Kidding, Ry.)

▶ Agron

Agron not very 'Glee'-ful

Where was **Dianna Agron**, aka Quinn, on the "Glee" season premiere? Word is the cheerleader will be leaving the series earlier than expected. "Dianna was unhappy and had been trying to get off the show for a while," an insider tells Us Weekly. "She and producers came to an agreement where they let her go. That's what she wanted." A rep for the show said the report was false.

Red carpet looks from Saturday's Creative Arts Emmy Awards

1 A buff **Kathy Griffin** apparently stood up and flipped everybody off when her show "Tired Hooker" lost to "The Kennedy Center Honors" at the awards ceremony.

2 **Nick Offerman** posed with wife actress **Megan Mullally**.

3 **Margaret Cho** was nominated for her guest role on "30 Rock" as Kim Jong Il. She lost to Kathy Bates for her work on "Two and a Half Men."

4 **Christina Hendricks** donned a one-shoulder Jenny Packham gown.

5 **Malin Akerman** rocked a plunging dress to cheer on her "Childrens Hospital" co-stars.

6 **Carrie Brownstein** of "Portandia" popped up, too.

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Dystopian drama doesn't have to be all death and destruction ▶ New NBC fantasy imagines a world with no electricity but plenty of adventure

A 'Revolution' is beginning

▶ Tracy Spiridakos stars as Charlie Matheson on "Revolution." The series premieres tonight at 10 on NBC.

Quoted

"Even though she has seen a lot of death, she's still full of love no matter what. That's what drives her."
TRACY SPIRIDAKOS

This is no 'Mad Max'

The show's creators brought levity to the lights-out drama by focusing on characters, like Charlie, who don't view a lack of electricity as a disaster.

"While people are struggling to hold onto shreds of the old society and struggling to get the lights back on ... there's Charlie's generation, who see this almost as a pastoral, simple place [where] they grew up," explains producer Jon Favreau. "This is the only world they know. And we wanted to show a lot of the show through their eyes so it didn't feel like 'The Road' or 'Mad Max,' but instead felt like this wonderland."

Life in a post-apocalyptic world is pretty depressing stuff — just check out "The Walking Dead" or "The Hunger Games." But dystopian drama doesn't have to be quite so dark, even if all the lights go out.

The new NBC drama "Revolution," from fantasy masters Eric Kripke ("Supernatural"), J.J. Abrams ("Lost") and Jon Favreau ("Iron Man"), imagines a world where the electricity suddenly shuts off. Fifteen years later, America sans TV and Twitter is a lawless, dangerous place. But the show makes surviving on your wits with primitive resources look, well, kind of fun.

"It's an adventure show," says Tracy Spiridakos, who plays "Revolution" lead Charlie. "People view it as a post-apocalyptic sort of thing, but it's not. There's a lot of heart."

Her father murdered and brother kidnapped by militia leaders, we meet the crossbow-wielding Charlie as she heads to Chicago to enlist the aid of her estranged uncle in the search for her sibling. Fight scenes with swords certainly add to the swashbuckling dynamic of the series, but more stylistic than the show's out-of-date weaponry is its old-fashioned approach to building characters within a complex mythology. Through Charlie's heartfelt, family-first mission of "find my brother," the reasons why the power went out and what happened in the aftermath are slowly revealed. Her perspective, so honest and full of good intentions, is what gives the show its light.

"Charlie has grown up in this world [without advanced technology]; it's just life to her," Spiridakos says. "She comes across some crazy, intense things as the series goes on, and she's obviously in a lot of danger a lot of the time, but she sees the good in people. She's not jaded. Even though she has seen a lot of death, she's still full of love no matter what. That's what drives her."

Preparing for the role

Tracy Spiridakos has had plenty of real-world training for her role as a survivor of a permanent blackout in the fantasy drama "Revolution" — if you include her time spent in front of the TV, that is.

▶ "I love being able to get out of my world, which is why I love playing video games," the actress says. "I like jumping into a world that isn't my own and exploring it. I don't think of the restrictions — this isn't possible, this couldn't happen, don't do this or don't do that. I just pretend like it could. So this has been a really, really exciting journey for me."

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Also new on Mondays

'Partners'

MATT HOYLE/CBS

▶ From left: Sophia Bush, David Krumholtz, Brandon Routh (who plays Louis' boyfriend) and Michael Urie star in "Partners."

Polar-opposite best friend business partners Joe (David Krumholtz), who is straight, and Louis (Michael Urie), who is gay, bicker about work and life, but can't imagine even a day spent without the other. Their relationship becomes even more complicated when Joe proposes to his girlfriend (Sophia Bush). It's your standard odd-couple sitcom, this one relying on quasi-edgy jokes. **Premieres Sept. 24, 8:30 p.m., CBS**

'The Mob Doctor'

CHUCK HODES/FOX

▶ Grace (Jordana Spiro) is "The Mob Doctor"

Jordana Spiro ("My Boys") plays Grace Devlin, a promising Chicago doctor who moonlights for the mob — just in case that wasn't clear from the title. She splits her time between saving lives at a prestigious hospital and stitching up goons in dirty back rooms, thanks to her brother's mafia debt. Grace is painted a little too hard-nosed, but the heightened portrait of Chicago's underbelly is fun to watch. **Premieres tonight, 9 p.m., Fox**

'Catfish: The TV Show'

Based on the documentary "Catfish," this TV spinoff follows couples who have fallen in love online and chronicles their first in-person meetings. The encounters — involving some parties who may not have been entirely truthful in their online correspondence — promise to be awkward, if not somewhat exploitative. **Premieres Nov. 12, 10 p.m., MTV** ● AMBER RAY

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MILLA JOVOVICH: ZOMBIE KILLER, TOILETRY THIEF

The Russian-born actress talks about collaborating with her husband and why those little freebie shampoo bottles at hotels are irresistible

When we first see Milla Jovovich, she's carrying a handful of hotel toiletries to her bag, explaining that she's taking them home with her. "I have guest rooms, and I think it's super-chic to put them out, and then when people are finished with them, either they buy their own or they know it's time to leave," she explains. "I can obviously afford to buy shampoo, but it's a principle thing, right?" Jovovich certainly can afford any toiletries she wants, since her zombie-fighting film series is up to its fifth installment, "Resident Evil: Retribution," and shows no sign of slowing down.

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▶ Armed and dangerous: Milla Jovovich reprises her role as Alice in "Resident Evil: Retribution."

When you get to the fifth film in a franchise, how do you keep track of the story?

I'm married to the writer-director. That helps. Because literally, I think up until last year I totally thought Alice was the bad guy. Paul [W.S. Anderson] was like, "No, but don't you remember in No. 1, the whole flashback sequence?" And I was like, "Are you sure?" And he's like, "I wrote the script. I think I'm sure." But pretty much there is no script. Michelle [Rodriguez] and I like to say that Paul just has a video camera and presses record.

It's a pretty reductive view of his job.

It's OK, he's confident. One of the few men I've ever met — and, you know, I married him — who is not scared of strong women. Which is pretty rare.

Speaking of strong women, there's talk of an all-female version of the "The Expendables."

We're the ones that set it up. ... [Paul and I] have a really interesting idea that I won't tell you about right now, but it's really cool and it would be sort of like a female "Expendables." It would be strong women taking vengeance.

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Twitter etiquette

Milla Jovovich just passed the 1 million follower mark on Twitter. Here, she outlines for Metro her three main rules of proper Twitter etiquette.

1 **Devote the time:** If I'm going to tweet, I need to tweet and be able to have an hour to tweet. I can't just tweet one thing and then disappear.

2 **Keep it professional:** When I'm working I tweet all the time, but when I'm at home with my daughter, the last thing I'm going to tweet is my home life because I'm not a reality-TV person.

3 **Reward the loyal:** When I got to 990,000 [followers] ... I wanted to do something special to make people feel proud to be following me. So I said, "Enter this contest and we'll randomly choose somebody and we'll do a special screening of 'Resident Evil' for you and your friends."

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Creative Arts Emmys

'Games of Thrones' rules awards show

Medieval fantasy "Game of Thrones" led the winners at the Creative Arts Emmys on Saturday. On a night that rewarded guest actors, choreographers, musicians and editors of the year's leading TV shows, the HBO show won six awards, including costumes, makeup and special visual effects.

Four-time Best Drama Series winner "Mad Men" was shut out of the creative arts portion of the biggest honors in the TV industry. "Mad Men" will still hope to capture the top prize next week at the Primetime Emmys. They take place Sept. 23. REUTERS

Box office

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▶ Looks like the fifth time's a charm for Milla Jovovich and the "Resident Evil" franchise.

'Resident Evil: Retribution' swims past 'Finding Nemo'

Horror sequel "Resident Evil: Retribution" grabbed the top spot at the U.S. and Canadian box office over the weekend, according to studio estimates released yesterday.

The fifth movie in the zombie franchise based on the survival video game features Milla Jovovich teaming up with a resistance movement to fight the undead. The film brought in $21.1 million.

A 3-D version of the 2003 Disney/Pixar cartoon "Finding Nemo" took the No. 2 spot in the U.S. and Canadian box-office charts with $17.5 million, Disney said. Third place belonged to demon thriller "The Possession," which posted sales of $5.8 million. The movie led the charts for the previous two weekends.

Sony Corp.'s movie studio released "Resident Evil." Lions Gate Entertainment distributed "The Possession." REUTERS

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The reviews

1 Calvin Klein Collection: In a week that nearly put everyone to sleep with repetition, Francisco Costa jolted editors back from their slumbers with his sexy Spring show. His lady — a powerful figure with a subversive side — wore fierce, eyebrow-raising looks that included an edgy black skirt suit with a cone-shaped bra and a feminine white strapless dress with a naughty, S&M-type mesh overlay. In addition to the erotic overtone, another story unraveled on the runway, one of masterful tailoring and artful fabric play (sheer knee-length skirts topped solid minis). It ended New York Fashion Week on a much-needed strong note. **TINA CHADHA**

2 J. Mendel: The cascading wisteria of Japan's Kawachi Fuji garden inspired Gilles Mendel's very pretty Spring show. Polished, ladylike daywear in lace, chiffon and buttery soft leather preceded looks in bold iris florals and bright tangerine. And it wouldn't be a J. Mendel show without the house's show-stopping gowns. This season they were flowy, diaphanous, pleated numbers with sexy slits going up the thigh, gracefully billowing with every step the models took. The result was a glamorous, built-in wind machine effect — what more could stars on the red carpet ask for? **TC**

3 Bibhu Mohapatra: You won't see track pants or varsity jackets on Bibhu Mohapatra's runway, no matter how popular they are among his peers. The young designer specializes in ball gowns, and his show Wednesday contained plenty of those: an alabaster chiffon number with long sleeves and silver embroidery, or an onyx and chartreuse lace stunner with draped organza shards. He did throw some daytime looks into the mix, however, like a white peplum shift in a Luna Moth print and even (gasp!) cigarette pants. **RAQUEL LANERI**

4 Nanette Lepore: The infectious, catchy beats of The Brazilian Girls, who performed live, matched the upbeat tone of Nanette Lepore's Spring presentation. The show opened with a picnic-tablecloth halter dress, with a wide woven belt and a swingin' skirt, and continued with adorable checked shorts, bright one-piece bathing suits in a toile print and knit and lace dresses and rompers. Perfect for an evening spent dancing at the boardwalk. **RL**

Front row

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Tyra Banks at Jeremy Scott

Amy Adams, Emma Stone, and Diane Kruger at Calvin Klein

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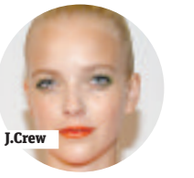
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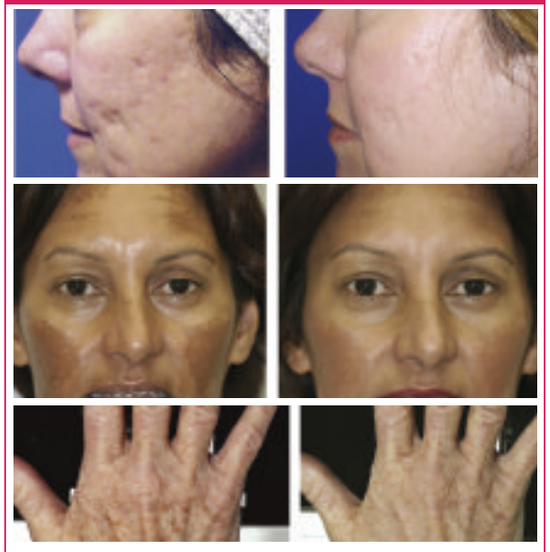

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Ways to support a suffering loved one

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The question:

What can you do for a friend or relative who has depression?

▶ While you can't cure a friend's depression, you can help him or her through it.

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It's hard to watch a loved one suffer. Whether it's depression or any another debilitating illness that saps the life force of a person, one cannot help but feel powerless. That's why it's important to know the difference between what you can and cannot do.

What you cannot do: Major depressive disorder is a legitimate illness of the brain's neurotransmitters. Just as you wouldn't attempt to treat a friend's diabetes, you cannot cure his or her depression. For many people, this can be hard to accept. Unfortunately, there is nothing you can do or say to lift the clouds. Tough love will not motivate your friend. If anything, it may make him or her feel worse. Although you may strongly encourage your loved one to seek treatment, you cannot make that person go, nor can you make him or her take medication.

That being said, there are some things you can do to help:

Set boundaries

▶ **While being a good friend, continue to take care of yourself.** Spending prolonged time, especially living with, a person who is depressed can be emotionally draining. Take time to do activities you enjoy and remember what is within and not within your power to change.

▶ **Encourage that person to seek treatment from a licensed mental health professional.** You can research therapists and collect contact information, but the person suffering should make the initial call to set up the consultation, as his or her investment in the process will affect the outcome of treatment.

▶ **Be a good friend and stay in touch.** Though you may feel inclined to distance yourself, your withdrawal may actually accentuate feelings of isolation that are common to depression.

▶ **Ask your friend if he or she is feeling suicidal.** If he or she says "yes," take your friend to an emergency room or call 911 on his or her behalf. If your friend indicates a definitive plan and easy access to weapons and/or potentially lethal drugs, you should definitely call. If he or she admits to having fleeting suicidal thoughts but does not plan to act on them, you can encourage the person to share this with a therapist and give him or her the number for the suicide hotline in case the depression deepens (1-800-SUICIDE) while continuing to watch for changes in behavior.

▶ **Be compassionate.** We've all had our dark times; some are worse than others.

After my last column, I received an e-mail from Kitty Dukakis, the wife of former presidential candidate and Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis. She pointed out that in my last column, I did not mention the effectiveness of electroconvulsive therapy (ECT) in alleviating depression. While she is correct — ECT has been proven effective in treating chronic, pervasive depression that is unresponsive to therapy and medication — it is usually considered a treatment of last resort, and consequently was not necessarily appropriate to suggest to the questionably depressed gentleman who lost his job.

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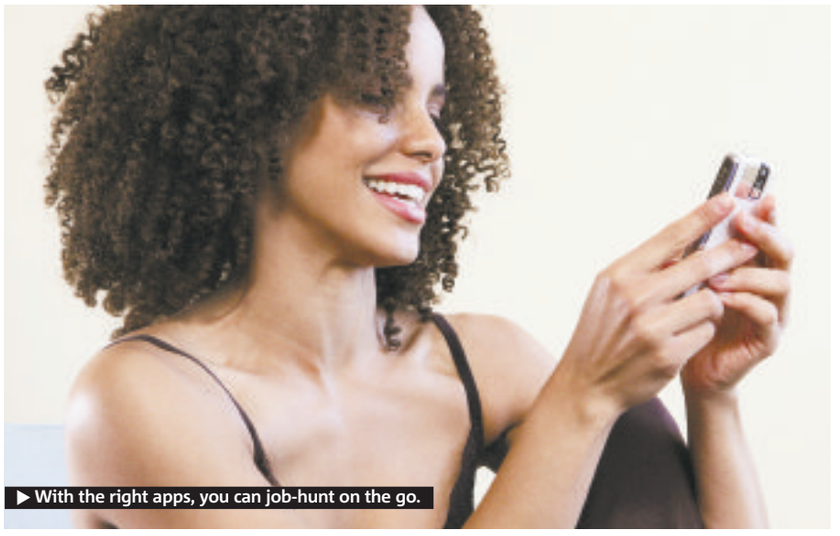

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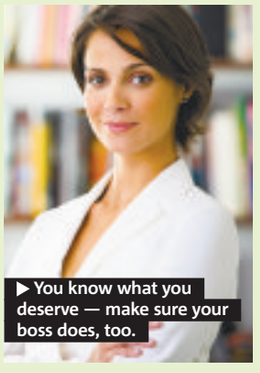

You know what you deserve — make sure your boss does, too.

In this year's presidential race, the workplace has ranked high among the issues, with unemployment and job creation at the center of seemingly endless speeches and debates. Also on the list, although much lower, is equal pay and the stubborn wage gap between men and women. Last week, the U.S. Census Bureau released data that women are still making 77 cents to the dollar compared to men, despite the fact that President Barack Obama signed the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Restoration Act and created a National Equal Pay Task Force.

So what can women do as they wait on Washington? There's no simple answer, but like most salary negotiations, it begins with research. Before you claim that your male colleague is unfairly cashing fatter paychecks than you, consider a few key points. "Do you and your male counterpart have the same schooling, skills and years of experience," asks Nicole Williams, LinkedIn's connections director. "What is the difference between your responsibilities? Can you determine the amount of money he has made or saved for the firm?"

If the playing field seems even, it's time to broach a sensitive subject with your boss: a very warranted pay raise. And while there's no question that men and women should be paid equally, a little hard evidence won't hurt your case. "Take a professional approach," explains Michael Timmes, a human resources specialist at Insperity. "Present a business case to support your position that you should be making a higher salary." JULIA WEST

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Letters

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The pen is mightier than the mob

RE: "FIGHTING WORDS GO GLOBAL" (METRO, SEPT. 14-16) In response to column writer Tom Foreman's article, I must point out that I agree that freedom of speech is valued by many, and while a ridiculous, cheaply made film may have sparked violence in Muslim countries over the last few days, I also find it necessary to point out that this violence does not reflect the way that most Muslims feel, wherever they may reside. As a Muslim woman raised in this society, I can say that any violence committed in the name of our Prophet is more offensive than any film. Even the mention of this film is a waste of time and if anyone feels the need to respond to it, violence and death are not the answers. Rather, why not use our God-given right and speak the truth instead? Regardless of where we live, we all appreciate values that lead to peace. Unfortunately, ignorance has no limit, and just as I know that this film does not represent the views of many Americans, I hope others understand that the violence taking place does not speak for me or other Muslims all around the world.

H. ABOUBAKR, RUTHERFORD, N.J.

Tom Foreman's column about true free speech was right on point. Short of advocating violence, free speech necessarily means the freedom to offend, otherwise the concept is meaningless. Whether it's "true" or not cannot be the subject of official interpretation. Few realize that dissidents in technically law-based societies such as the old Soviet Union were never charged with criticizing the government, which, in theory, wasn't illegal — only for "lying" or "spreading false rumors." You can say anything you want about Stalin or Brezhnev, as long as it's "true."

MARC S. RUSSO, VIA E-MAIL

Obama's resume found lacking

The neophyte-in-chief promised retribution for the act of war committed against our country by Islamic terrorists in Libya. The same politician-in-chief told Iran to expect the natural consequence of what amounted to an act of war in plotting and attempting to execute the murder of Americans and various international dignitaries on our soil. Another promise that never materialized. Doesn't quite fit with appeasement — his forte in national security and foreign affairs.

Could we please not expose our drones to withering anti-aircraft fire from enemies we can't seem to find and our Marines to the possibility of being slaughtered, merely to perpetuate the myth that the amateur-in-chief is a strong and decisive leader? He so glaringly isn't.

LOINSWORTH SANKARSINGH, ARVERNE, N.Y.

What's so insulting about being a girl?

I know I am late to the party with this question, but why exactly is it an insult to refer to someone being "girly"? As the mother of daughters who were once awesome girls and the grandmother of two little awesome girls (along with an awesome grandson) I don't get it why it's an insult.

MARY FARRELL PLYMOUTH, MASS.

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Horoscope

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** You're entering a cycle in which many of your past efforts will finally be recognized, especially your more relevant successes. You may have been overlooked, but not forgotten.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** Something far removed from your present interests is stirring on your behalf. Evidence pertaining to these developments will be manifesting soon.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Joint ventures are usually predicated upon equal contribution. However, to your great luck, you'll be invited to participate in something promising that requires only minimal input.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Normally, it's best to always think for yourself, but if you feel in need of another's leadership, go to a friend who is as lucky as he or she is wise.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** You know what you want, and for that very reason you're likely to be a bit more ambitious than usual. The chances of getting exactly what you go after are excellent.

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** An inclination to take a calculated risk could be rather pronounced. This could work to your advantage, provided you're somewhat knowledgeable about your hunch.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** You have the capabilities to make the most of your opportunities when you believe in yourself. Don't be discouraged by advisers who think you're a bad bet.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** If someone with a good track record invites you to join a deal, give it serious consideration. You could be especially lucky with partnership arrangements.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** Being of special service to others is likely to be the principal reason for the large reward you'll likely reap. Compensation will automatically be there.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** Enterprises that you personally manage are slated to end up in the winner's circle. Your work will speak for itself, and just rewards will follow.

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** Proper timing will be your ace in the hole, so let important matters proceed at their own pace. You won't gain a thing by trying to put the pedal to the metal.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** There is much justification for your hopes and expectations to be running high at this point in time. You'll sense that Lady Luck is looking to open many windows of opportunity for you.

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2 Three oceans touch it
3 Vault
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7 Almost, in verse
8 Melancholy
9 Got a new hairdo
10 Pixie
11 Give it a —
12 "Justine" star
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23 Little chirper
25 Fruits or birds
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NFL Sunday

1 A crazy day in Foxboro ended in a 20-18 win for the Cardinals after the Patriots missed a field goal at the end.

2 Andrew Luck got his first win in the NFL thanks to former Pats kicker Adam Vinatieri. The Colts beat the Vikings, 23-20.

3 Michael Vick had another turnover-filled game, but the Eagles won another one-point game, 24-23, over the Ravens. Vick ran in the game-winner with 1:55 left.

Manning keeps cool in comeback

Quarterback struggles in first half with three interceptions Comes up with 500-yard, three-score performance Cruz, Nicks with huge games

41	GIANTS (1-1)
34	BUCS (1-1)

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▶ Manning threw for 510 yards against the Buccaneers, just three yards shy of the single-game record held by Phil Simms.

The atmosphere following the Giants' thrilling 41-34 comeback win over the stunned Buccaneers was all smiles and pats on the backs, but the heart-attack inducing style of winning isn't the desired approach by head coach Tom Coughlin.

Ultimately, his two-time Super Bowl MVP quarterback came through.

"[Eli Manning] made a couple of bad plays but he didn't get discouraged," Coughlin said. "We talked about the character of our team [showing] up in the second half, because we were only down two scores. … [Manning] kept hanging in there and believing and finally the big plays came back for us."

228 Almost half of Manning's passing yards (228) and two TDs came when the Buccaneers blitzed.

The big plays came mostly in the second half, via the passing game, as Manning, Hakeem Nicks (10 receptions, 199 yards and a touchdown) and Victor Cruz destroyed the Tampa Bay secondary.

Cruz, who finished with 11 catches for 179 yards and a touchdown, noted there wasn't any tension at halftime, considering the veteran group.

"We were playing badly and it's pressure [being down so much] but it's fun too, because I knew we'd throw it a bunch and we just needed to convert some big plays," Cruz said. "We needed to get open for Eli so he could make some big plays."

"It was exciting to see guys getting fired up while we're coming back," Manning said. "Obviously, it's not the situation you always want to be in, but it was still fun to get back to playing good football."

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What went right …

1 **Cruz control** — Victor Cruz had an absolutely terrible season opener against Dallas — dropping passes like he never did last season. He was back to his breakout self yesterday. He had the big 80-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter as part of an 11-catch afternoon.

2 **Under pressure** — The Giants had a shocking zero sacks and zero quarterback hits in their season opener. The defensive line of Osi Umenyiora, Justin Tuck and Jason Pierre-Paul were much better against the Bucs. Pierre-Paul was the best of the three, with a sack and two tackles for loss.

3 **What Brown did for the Giants** — When Ahmad Bradshaw left the game in the first half with a neck injury the natural assumption would be for David Wilson to step up. Instead, he continued to struggle. It was Andre Brown, a talented but oft-injured back, who had 13 carries for 71 yards and the final score. METRO

Yanks hold on to first in East

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▶ Martin

Standing at his locker, in between Alex Rodriguez and Robinson Cano, Eduardo Nunez addressed the group of reporters wanting to know about his exploits on the bases wearing a green T-shirt that read "The Life of the Party."

Nunez fit that description during the "small ball" party the Yankees had in building the first two runs in a decisive five-run third inning in yesterday's 6-4 victory over the Rays. With the Orioles beating Oakland, the Yankees hold on to a one-game lead in the AL East.

"I feel like I can do things to help this team win," Nunez said. "You can't always win games with home runs. Sometimes you need walks and stolen bases."

Nunez led off with a walk, swiped second and two pitches later, Derek Jeter's single to right scored the first run.

"I call it 'small ball,'" manager Joe Girardi said. "It's more than bunting. It just brings an element where you can create runs and that's really important for clubs."

Russell Martin hit a three-run homer later to provide the final margin. LARRY FLEISHER

Jets badly outplayed in loss at Pittsburgh

A crash back to Earth was inevitable, but the Steelers made it particularly painful for the Jets in a 27-10 dismantling yesterday in Pittsburgh.

Just about everything that went right in the Jets' dominating performance over Buffalo in Week 1 was absent in Week 2.

The Jets looked good early, with Mark Sanchez marching the team 95 yards in eight plays on their first possession, capped by a Santonio Holmes' 14-yard touchdown catch. On the next drive they went 61 yards and kicked a field goal. But the Jets would manage just 63 total yards on their next eight possessions and never scored again.

Ben Roethlisberger finished 24-of-31 for 275 yards and two touchdowns.

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▶ Isaac Redman closed out any hope for the Jets with a 2-yard touchdown run with 3:34 left in the fourth quarter.

What went wrong ...

1 Marooned — Yes, the Jets were without their best player, cornerback Darrelle Revis, but this was a systemic issue. A total of 10 different Pittsburgh receivers had a catch yesterday, with four registering multiple catches.

2 Seeing yellow — LaRon Landry was almost whistled for penalties a few times against the Bills. There was zero tolerance for his hard-hitting ways in Pittsburgh. He got a personal foul that set up the Steelers' first score and was called for a horse-collar tackle in the third.

3 Tebow? — So much for the Jets opening up the Wildcat here. They only used it a couple times and not very creatively. METRO

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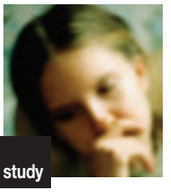
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